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## HOME.

You may talk about apartments or the finest kind of flat;  
And tell about your grand hotels—the swellest ones at that—  
You may rave about a mansion or a villa in far Rome;  
But I'll go you one still better yet—and that's my home.

The dearest wife that ever lived, and still a bride, by jing!  
Her hair is getting gray; but, say! you ought to hear her sing!  
When she puts the kids to bed at night, she murmurs soft and low  
Those dear old tunes our mother sang years and years ago.

And when the babies, tired out, are off to Byland  
She kisses 'em and tucks 'em in with tender mother hand,  
And then we sit together there and talk awhile and dream,  
A-building castles of our own in the fire-light's dancing gleam.

The king may have his palaces—no envy stings my heart;  
Grant him all his soul desires—I have still the better part.  
Ah! give the rich their mansions fine wherever they chance to roam,  
But for me my little cottage nest—'tis home, sweet home!

—Chicago Record-Herald.

## The Foot of the Ladder.

"So you think you would be an architect, do you?" said Frederick Arnold to the young man who made his way into the inner office.

Arnold was busy. A dozen matters of importance were awaiting his attention, yet here was this youngster coolly appropriating his time and asking him for work.

"I don't think, I know," Warren Hill answered quickly, ignoring the sneer in the question.

"Hum!" Arnold swung around in his chair and surveyed the intruder over the rims of his glasses.

It was a good face he saw, a resolute chin, a firm mouth, plenty of room for brains above the merry brown eyes. The lad's figure, too, was wiry, athletic. Still, the elder man was not quite satisfied. He took up the little pile of plans that Warren had brought as his best recommendation, and went quickly over them.

"These are not bad," he said cautiously. "At least nothing extraordinary. These windows are rather good, and your chimneys seem to be constructed with some idea of draft and flues. But an architect must be able to do something else besides draw pretty pictures. Most of the young men who come to me for work expect I'll set 'em to building Carnegie libraries right off. Libraries, when they hardly know a joist from a jew-harp!"

Warren smiled appreciatively, wondering what Arnold's next words would be. Nothing favorable, he decided, after a glance at the grim features. And he wanted that position as he had never wanted anything before in all his eighteen years. Nothing, except the change in affairs at home, which made it imperative that he get something to do, instead of spending his vacation preparing for technical school in the fall, would ever have induced him to ask Arnold for work.

"Hill," asked the architect, "is your father professor of Greek in Raleigh College?"

He was, until his death, two months ago," Warren answered quickly.

"Ah, I did not know." There was genuine sorrow in the architect's voice. "We were classmates at college. I would like to do something for his son, but the best thing I can do is set you at the very bottom of the ladder."

"That is where I want to begin," Warren answered cheerfully.

"Well, then,"—Arnold's fingers were busy with pencil and paper—"take this over to Pat Casey, on Mitchell street, and tell him to give you a job. They are excavating for a big hotel." Warren pocketed the paper gratefully enough, and departed in far better spirits than he had come. Casey, he found, was a big, burly Irishman in charge of a gang of Greeks and Italians who were hard at work with pick and shovel.

"Work is it ye want?" said Casey, good-humoredly. "Shure, ye don't look like no heavy-weight, but if Misher Arnold sent ye I'll give ye a trial. Still, it's no tennis court ye'll find that cellar."

Nothing daunted, Warren grasped his shovel as if it were the right hand of good fortune held out to him, blessing the athletic training

of the year before, which had turned the flabby muscles of the student to sinews of iron. Still, it was very hot as the pit grew deeper. The perspiration streamed down his face and mingled with the dust, until he looked no better than the Italian at his side. His muscles ached with the unaccustomed strain, and he set his teeth and shoved steadily until the foreman nodded approvingly. "That's right," he shouted, "you're a hummer."

Warren looked at his blistered hands and smiled a streaked smile. Away in the distance he saw an office like Arnold's with his own name above the door. "Oh, I'll reach it yet!" he muttered. "Shoveling dirt at two dollars per day isn't such a bad way to begin, after all."

By the end of the first week his muscles grew accustomed to the strain; his hands no longer troubled him. The work paid far better than many an easier position. So when Casey moved to another job Warren followed with a slight increase in his wages.

Sometwo months later he looked up to find Arnold, the architect, peering down at him from the rim of the excavation. "The foot of the ladder, eh?" he queried.

"Yes, sir,"—Warren paused to wipe his streaming forehead—"but I think I am ready for the next rung."

"How so?" asked Arnold, coming a step or two nearer.

"Why, one of our teamsters wants to go East, and he has offered to sell me his outfit for one hundred and fifty dollars. I've an idea I could make more teaming than I can shoveling."

"Got the money?" Arnold's voice was full of interest. "No, only half of it. I've had to use some of my wages; but the man will take a mortgage on the team for the rest of it."

"Don't you do it. Let me be your banker; then you can pay me the principal, without interest, whenever it is convenient for you."

"That's kind of you," said Warren. "I will conclude the bargain at once."

He went home in rare good spirits that night. The possession of the team meant added opportunities for work, and better pay. "Mother," he called gaily, "I'm a contractor now. I hope you appreciate the rise in our position."

She laughed. She had a way of seeing things in a merry light, this plucky little mother. She had seen her son give up his chosen profession and don overalls and jumper without a murmur, so sure had she been of brighter prospects.

The first contract which Warren took called for the removal of two thousand cubic yards of earth in a given time. Before making his bid he looked the ground over, and wondered if there might be a stratum of building sand under the loam. The idea was worth looking into, so one night he made his way to the lot, and by using an auger, verified his guess. The bid he finally handed in was so much lower than any others that all the other contractors laughed at him.

"You will lose," they declared. "You are bound to."

"You just wait," chuckled Warren.

"I may uncover a bed of diamonds,"

"Bed of fiddlesticks!" exclaimed Casey, losing patience with his former employee. "Shure, it's crazy ye are."

However, in less than four weeks he had cleared over two hundred dollars, fully half of which was from sand sold. His next work was the destruction of an old frame building, which was to be torn down to make room for a larger, more convenient structure. It was a rush order, with a premium of five dollars for every day he saved to the company.

"There's good building material in it," said Warren to himself; "but I can't stop to get it out, and I can't afford to hire it done. I'd give it away if folks would only carry it off."

So the next day there appeared in each of the three dailies of the place the startling advertisement: "Free lumber. Come and get it. 445 McPherson Avenue."

When Warren appeared the next morning there was a small army of

men waiting for him. The first wanted siding. "Take it off and you can have it," said Warren, pointing to the building. Another had use for the doors and windows. A third wanted flooring. Another took down the chimneys for the sake of the bricks they contained. So the work went merrily on. The men were satisfied with their bargain. As for Warren, why, the house was being torn down and carried off without any expense to him.

In the midst of it Frederick Arnold appeared on the scene. For a while he stood silent, his eyes following every movement of the workmen. It was a good scheme; a very good scheme. Used to labor-saving methods though he was, he never made use of a plan like this. "Humph!" he said to himself, and went in search of the boy who was directing the men. Six months ago the lad confided his ambition to him and asked for work. He smiled a little grimly as he thought of the task which he had assigned to his old classmate's son.

"Shoveling dirt with Italians, under an Irish boss," he muttered. "He stuck to it like a good one. Casey said he never had a better boy to work. Most chaps would have turned up their noses at it and hunted a four-a-week job in a store. Or else they'd have sat down and whined about not having a fair chance. Chance, fahgh! I like a boy who can make his own chance, not wait for somebody to hand him one. Ah, there he is!"

"Well," he said, laying a friendly hand on Warren's shoulder, "how do you like being a contractor?"

"It's great," Warren answered enthusiastically. "I never had any idea hard work could be such fun. Then I've learned a lot about foundations."

Arnold nodded. "It's a good business, and you would not want to give it up and take a position in my office, would you?"

"Would I?" In Warren's voice joy and ambition strove for mastery. "There is nothing I'd like better."

"Well, then," said Arnold slowly, "I shall be glad to have you come any time. But I warn you that you will find office work very different from tearing down old buildings or moving sand."

"I shan't care," said Warren, "so long as it leads toward the top of the ladder."—*Young People.*

## The Beginning of Printing in America

The first printing-press made in the United States came from the shop of Adam Ramage, in Philadelphia, about 1795, says the Philadelphia Telegraph. In 1810 there were two printing-press factories in Philadelphia, reporting products valued at \$26,000, and two manufacturing of hydraulic engines, reporting products valued at \$25,000.

The first printing-press in Pennsylvania was erected in Philadelphia in 1686, four years after the first English settlement was in the colony. The publication of magazines and other periodicals was attempted by Franklin as early as 1741. In 1810 it was estimated that half a million volumes were printed annually in Philadelphia.

For fifty years after the Revolution the city was first in the printing industry, the first daily paper in the United States having been established there in 1784. Shortly after the beginning of the century one hundred and ten wooden presses were in operation in Philadelphia—a larger number than in any other English-speaking city in the world except London.

The growth of book publishing was promoted by annual fairs and auction sales established in 1802 by the American Company of Booksellers, and held for a while alternately in New York and Philadelphia.

In 1810 seventy-five newspapers were published in Pennsylvania eight of which were daily papers—a larger number than was published in New York State at that time.

In 1817 the Columbian, a hand press, was invented by George Clymer, of Pennsylvania, and was introduced in the following year in

England, where it remained in use until 1860. It was the first press built in the United States capable of printing both sides of a newspaper at once.

In 1900 there were in Philadelphia six hundred and twenty-two establishments engaged in the printing and publishing business, representing capital invested of \$23,020,333, whose products had a total valuation of \$23,448,875.—*Monthly Union.*

## Siberian Ivory.

Siberia furnishes a large quantity of ivory to the markets of the world, but the production of it belongs to another age and to a species of animal that does not now exist. The ivory is cut from the tusks of mastodons, whose skeletons are found frozen in masses of ice or buried in the mud of Siberian rivers and swamps. The northern portion of the country abounds in extensive bogs, which are called *urmans*. In these are found the tusks of the mastodon, from which it is inferred that these animals lost their lives by venturing upon a surface that would not bear their weight. Of this region and its products Dr. Charles Wenyon writes in his book, "Across Siberia on the Great Post Road."

Even to wild animals these *urmans* are forbidden ground. The nimble-stepping, broad footed reindeer can sometimes cross them safely in the summer time, but most other large animals attempting to do so would quickly be engulfed, and this may be a partial explanation of the remains of mammoth and rhinoceros, which are so abundant and so widely diffused through these northern marsh-lands of Siberia.

In the museum of Tobolsk are numerous specimens of mammoth, and throughout this region they are by no means rare. When an ice-pack breaks down a river-bank, or floods tear up a frozen marsh, or the summer thaw penetrates a little more deeply than usual into the ground, some of these antediluvian monsters are very likely to be exposed.

In many cases the remains are so fresh and well preserved, with their dark, shaggy hair and underwood of reddish brown, their tufted ears and long, curved tusks, that all the aborigines, and even some of the Russian settlers, persist in the belief that they are specimens of animals which still live, burrowing underground like moles, and which die the instant they are admitted to the light.

The farther one goes northward the more abundant do these remains become. They are washed up with the tides upon the arctic shores, and some extensive islands off the coast contain quantities of fossil ivory and bones.

Tusks which have been long or repeatedly exposed to the air are brittle and unserviceable, but those which have remained buried in the ice retain the qualities of recent ivory, and are a valuable article of merchandise. There is a great market for these mammoth tusks at Yatsutsh, on the Lena, from which they find their way to the workshops of European Russia, and even to the ivory-carvers of Canton.

Various trinkets and works of art are made of these remains, and are sold at the shops, and especially at the museums as mementos of a visit to this graveyard of the mammoth.

One of the favorite curios very accurately resembled slices of Russian bread and cheese. But the bread is really a transverse section of one of the long bones of a mammoth, and the cheese a piece of ivory from his tusk. The two, joined together, were sold at a price which enabled the ingenious contriver to obtain for himself many times their weight of the homely fare which they simulated.—*Youth's Companion.*

## CHURCH NOTICES.

DIOCESAN OF CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA, WESTERN NEW YORK AND HARRISBURG.

Rev. Franklin C. Smielau, Missionary, 1025 Rural Avenue, Williamsport, Pa.

A cordial welcome is extended to all the Deaf to attend the services and Bible Class meetings.

## ST. LOUIS.

J. H. May, 5851 Von Versen Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

A Happy New Year's greeting to all the readers of the JOURNAL.

Christmas Day, among the deaf was observed by all in the usual way of past years.

On Christmas Day (Friday, December 25th), Rev. Schubkigel delivered a Christmas sermon, at Zion Lutheran Church, before a fair sized audience, in the afternoon. He selected his text from St. Luke 1:1-14.

Jas. Casteel met with a serious accident to his eye, one day last week, while at work in the carshops. In some way a bit of steel bar flew into one of his eyes, hitting into the pupil. A doctor treated it, and fears he may lose his eye-sight.

On Sunday, December 20th, another large social party gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sutton in the evening. It was given under the management of the Horse-Shoe Lake Club. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Dieckhoner, Mr. and Mrs. Bretscher, Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore, Mr. and Mrs. Read, Misses Allard Sieghold, Otten, McFarland, Converse, Ostrander, Knichols, Stock-sick, Burris, Burrow, Messrs. Toliver, King, Campbell, J. Miller, Cupps, Ifland, Lawrence, Jackson, Bloch, Jones, Hayes, Oberbeck, Ofenstein, Reninger, Kierau, Ruben-lag, Hunter, J. McFarland, R. McFarland, Sittig and Wolff.

Mrs. Amelia Kohlmeier, who has been quite ill for over four weeks, is convalescing, and we hope she will soon be on her feet again.

Miss Louisa Volmar, who has been living with Miss O. Ollard, on Papin Street, has changed her residence, and is now boarding with Miss Born, at 1934 Morgan Street.

Mrs. Annie S. Kugelmann recently returned from a fortnight's visit to her mother, at Davistead, Ill. She enjoyed herself.

Misses Lizzie Otten and S. Fadem are two deaf ladies employed at the large store of the Grande Leader Dry Goods Co. Miss Otten secured the situation by an advertisement, which her mother saw in a daily newspaper published here. This shows that it pays to advertise.

Mrs. Florence Beckman, who has lived here about two years, has gone back to her old home in St. Genevieve, Mo., called there by the serious illness of her sister, who has been ill a long time.

After staying here nearly one month, Miss Grace Schafer, of Windsor, Mo., departed for her home on December 23d. She reports having a real good time. She is a new subscriber to the JOURNAL.

At the "Hard Times" party given at the Schuyler Memorial House, on December 23d, two persons won prizes. Miss Pearl Conners was awarded a package of Irish potatoes, and Mr. Edw. Whittaker became the possessor of a huge yellow pumpkin, which was the envy of all who saw him have it.

Miss Mary Huber, of Briton, Mo., is in the city. She has a job in the household of Rev. and Mrs. Cloud, and we hope she has come to stay.

The *Silent Success*, which was formerly owned by O. M. Elliott, of Graham, Mo., is out in a new dress. It is owned by a company of well known St. Louis deaf-mutes, and has become a weekly journal for the deaf. The paper bids fair to become a power for good.

Mrs. Louisa Leach, who is visiting Mrs. John Hutsel, of Montgomery, Mo., writes that she expects to remain there all winter and spring.

Miss Bridget Hines, who lost her right leg and eyesight, has been awarded nearly \$11,000 by Judge Muench. It is now believed that the United Railway Company will consent to pay the award to her.

We understand that a marriage occurred here on Saturday, December 19th. Mrs. Florence Sarrett, formerly of Kansas City, Mo., was united in the bonds of wedlock to Mr. August R. Nelson, of Kansas

City, Mo. They departed for their future home on the banks of the Kaw River.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Blevins, who departed Thursday (24th inst.) for several days' visit to Mr. and Mrs. Bennett, of Fairfield, Ill., returned Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aldrich and relatives visited her mother in Madison, Ill., Christmas Day, and had a sumptuous turkey dinner. They had a real enjoyable time.

Mr. Aldrich's step-father in Madison, who has been sick for three years from kidney trouble, is not expected to live long.

On Christmas Day, Messrs. Irwin Lynch and Anthony Tolliver spent the time at the former's uncle, and had a great time there.

Mr. Johnson, of Sherman, Texas, while on his way home from Chicago, Ill., stopped off here, and had a chat with a lot of friends at the cafe on 12th and Olive Streets. Mr. Johnson's parents are both deaf-mutes.

Mrs. B. T. Gilkey and her son, Dr. Gilkey, are visiting friends and relatives in the city. They came from Fulton, Mo.

## SOUTHERN DIOCESES.

REV. OLIVER J. WHILDIN, General Missionary.

Church services are held in the following places by the lay-readers mentioned on such Sundays and other days, and at such hours as are locally announced. The general missionary visits these and numerous other stations throughout the South at intervals to be appointed and locally made known.

## LAY-READERS.

Grace Chapel, Baltimore, Mr. G. W. Boss.  
Trinity Chapel, Washington, Mr. H. L. Stafford.  
St. Elizabeth's Church, Wheeling, Mr. J. C. Brenner.  
St. Philip's Church, Durham, N. C., Mr. R. Fortune.  
Christ Church, Little Rock, Ark., Mr. J. H. Eddy.  
St. Paul's Church, New Orleans, La., Mr. H. L. Tracy.

## ALL SOULS' CHURCH FOR THE DEAF.

Franklin Street above Green, Phila., Pa.  
REV. C. O. DANTZER, Pastor, 2535 N. Nineteenth Street.

Services every Sunday at 2:30 P.M. (Except during July and August, 19:30 A.M.)

Holy Communion—First Sunday of the month.

Bible Class, immediately after services.

Cleric Literary Association meets every Thursday, after 7:30 o'clock.

## Catholic Church Notices.

St. Francis Xavier's, 30 West 16th Street—Instruction and Services in the College Hall, at 3:30 P.M., on the third Sunday of the month.

St. Rose's, 165th Street, west of Amsterdam Avenue—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.

St. Vincent Ferrer's, Lexington Avenue and 66th Street—Services and Catechism on Sundays at 9 A.M.  
BROOKLYN.—Knights of Columbus Hall, Hanson Place and South Portland Avenue.—Religious Instruction at 3:30 P.M., on the fourth Sunday of the month.

JERSEY CITY.—St. Peter's, 144 Grand Street, Services and Instruction in the College Hall, at 3:30 P.M., on the first Sunday of the month.

Under the direction of REV. M. R. MCCARTHY, S. J.

St. Thomas Mission, St. Louis.  
Christ Cathedral Chapel, 13 and Locust Sts.  
Rev. J. H. Cloud, Minister, 2008 Virginia Avenue.

Mr. Arthur O. Steidmann, Lay Reader.

Sunday Services at 10:45 A.M.

Sunday School at 10 A.M.

Week-day meetings at 8 P.M., on first and third Fridays and fourth Wednesday, in the Parish House.

## Denver, Col.

The Denver Association of the Deaf held a social meeting at its hall in Charles Block, Wednesday night, December 23d. The first part of the evening was given up to story-telling. Each member gave a story by turns. Mr. Max J. Kestner gave a short reading on "Wolfert Webber, or Golden Dreams," by Washington Irving. The evening closed with various games by the members.

The Five Hundred Club met at Miss Edna Drumm's residence Saturday night, December 19th. Nearly every member of the club was present, showing that the interest in the Five Hundred has not decreased. Miss Guertel Edmonds won the first prize for ladies. She received an apron. Mr. John Wear won the first prize for gentlemen. He was awarded a leather wall hanger. The hanger has two pockets, one for stamps and one for writing paper and envelopes. Mr. Max J. Kestner received a top for a consolation prize. After the game, Miss Drumm assisted by her three sisters served dainty refreshments. Following are the names of those who were present: Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Dixon, Mrs. Fred Reid, Mrs. Frank A. Lessley, Misses Pearl Dixon, Lillian Watson, Guertel Edmonds, and Ella Duffy, Messrs. Alfred L. Kent, John Wear, Frank Horton, Louis Jacoby, James Tuskey, Stephen Janovick and Max J. Kestner.

Miss Louise Ruckenecker, of Como, Col., was in Denver for a few days last week. She was accompanied by her sister. They have been visiting their friends. They called on Miss Lillian Watson for a short time.

Mr. Joseph Copehart, who had been hit by a street car some weeks ago, was awarded \$25 by the Court. Mr. Copehart sued the Denver Tramway Company for \$200.

Mr. J. R. Miles, formerly of Baltimore, but now of Steamboat Springs, Col., is in the city visiting friends. He expects to be in Denver until after January 1st. He came over the Moffat Road, which finished building its tracks to Steamboat Springs two weeks ago.

The Colorado Index, dated December 18th, has the following to say:

"Some of the folks at the school were very considerably invited to the Gallaudet banquet given by the Denver Association of the Deaf on the 10th inst. The limited time for their going and return prevented acceptance of the invitations. The Denver Association is fully abreast of the times in honoring the memory of so distinguished a benefactor as Dr. Gallaudet, and the deaf throughout the State were there in spirit if not in person." J.

Dec. 26, 1908.

## Presbyterian Notice.

UNIVERSITY PLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, TENTH STREET AND UNIVERSITY PLACE.

Rev. George Alexander, D.D., Pastor.

Meetings will be held at this Church during the present year.

Bible Class meets at 3:30 o'clock Sunday afternoons, beginning January 10th, 1909.

Address all communications to the President, Mr. Archibald McL. Baxter, 32 West 60th Street, New York City.

Services in the Dioceses of Albany and Central New York.

First Sunday in the month: Morning, Troy; afternoon, Albany; evening, Amsterdam.

Second Sunday: Morning, Syracuse; afternoon, Oneida; evening, Utica.

Third Sunday: Morning, Troy; afternoon, Schenectady; evening, Herkimer.

Fourth Sunday: Morning, Utica; afternoon, Rome; evening, Syracuse.

The above is the ordinary arrangement of services. Departures from this arrangement and appointments for week-day services will be announced by postal card.

H. VAN ALLEN, Missionary, 232 Grove Place, Utica, N. Y.



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"He's true to God who's true to man:  
Wherever wrong is done  
To the humblest and the weakest  
Neath the all-beholding sun,  
That wrong is also done to us,  
And they are slaves most base,  
Whose love of right is for themselves,  
And not for all the race."

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WITH this number the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL begins its thirty-eighty-eighth year of service to the deaf.

It has always been our policy to reflect and record only what is best for the deaf as a class, and this policy will be continued.

We will print all the news that is worth printing; allow controversial letters a place provided they do not exceed the bounds of decorum; and what we have done well before, we will try this year to do still better.  
A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

THE unparalleled calamity which has devastated Southern Italy has plunged the world into deep sympathy and sorrow, and nearly all the nations are vying with each other in their eagerness to send relief to the stricken people.

To the deaf who knew him, will come an additional pang of regret and sorrow, at the news that William Henry Bishop is believed to have perished. From 1885 to 1888, Mr. Bishop was teacher of the High Class at the New York Institution, being the immediate predecessor of Principal Currier, who filled the same important position for five years, and relinquished his charge to become Principal of the Institution.

Prof. Bishop subsequently became instructor in Italian and Spanish at Yale. About ten years ago he resigned from Yale to become United States Consul at Palermo, in Sicily. He had recently been transferred to Barcelona, Spain, and it is thought that he was visiting in the earthquake district prior to his intended departure for his new post.

He is widely known as a translator of novels written in the Roman languages and has written extensively both novels and essays.

He was graduated from Yale College in 1867, and is somewhat more than sixty years old. His son, Julian Bishop, was recently appointed a cadet at Annapolis.

IN the most conspicuous position on the editor's desk is a handsome and artistic calendar sent us by Mr. Alex L. Pach, of the firm of Pach Bros. It is not often that we get such a combination of the ornamental and useful, and our thanks are extended to the donor thereof.

Another of Mr. Pach's achievements of the new year, is an article upon the joys of suburban life, printed in a magazine called *The Suburbanite*, in which is set forth, in choice English, the happiness of the commuter on the local lines of railroad, which reaches its climax at the homecoming every day. It will surely renew the real estate boom in the towns along the Central New Jersey Railroad.

## NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.  
A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

The entertainment at St. Ann's Church Guild Room, on Tuesday evening, December 29th, 1908, drew a full house, and all were rewarded with an excellent and laughable show. The mirth-provoking remarks of Mr. W. G. Jones, who explained the pictures in the "family album," made the evening one of fun and cachinnatory delight.

The entertainment was a novel one, and had never been seen in this city by any of the deaf we talked to on the occasion.

"The Family Album" was a monsters book erected on end at the front of the stage, which was curtained off. On the cover was inscribed in large gilt letters the word "Album."

Rev. Mr. Keiser opened the book for the first picture, which was Mr. W. G. Jones as "Grandpa."

Thereafter Mr. Jones officiated as exhibitor of album pictures, and explained each of them quite humorously. Following is the list:

|                        |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Grandpa.....           | Mr. W. G. Jones      |
| Grandmother.....       | Mrs. W. B. Buhle     |
| Father.....            | Mr. Henry Miller     |
| Mother.....            | Miss Lillie Lindhoff |
| College Professor..... | Miss Alice E. Judge  |
| Son.....               | Mr. Edward Elsworth  |
| Daughter.....          | Miss Lillie Lindhoff |
| Uncle.....             | Mr. W. W. Thomas     |
| College Student.....   | Mr. E. B. Earnest    |
| College Girl.....      | Miss Mabel Pearce    |
| Young Rider.....       | Mr. Peter Kempf      |
| War Veteran.....       | Mr. William Renner   |
| German Peasant.....    | Miss Violet Pearce   |
| French Peasant.....    | Miss Frances Mears   |
| Parson.....            | Mr. William Renner   |
| Bride.....             | Miss E. Chapman      |
| Groom.....             | Mrs. Edward Elsworth |

The curtains were now drawn aside, and revealed a Christmas Tree, beautifully, decorated, and having at the base innumerable packages, which later Santa Claus delivered to all present who held the necessary coupon. A fine turkey was sold at ten cents a chance.

Altogether the entertainment was the best that has been seen in a long time.

In accordance with its custom, the Deaf-Mutes' Union League has its Watch-Night on New Year's Eve under the auspices of the Entertainment Committee, and like its predecessors, it was a howling and joyous affair. In order to make waiting for the advent of 1909 less tedious, a contest of "Hearts" was engaged and about eighty persons participated, and prizes were awarded, to whom the writer has unfortunately failed to ascertain. Excellent refreshments were served, with Teddy Rose as usual in charge of the culinary department. When the momentous time when the hands of the old clock struck together, ceremony and etiquette were promptly lost sight of, tin-horns were tooted screechingly, pistols were fired, jarring the nerves of the girls to an awful degree, and pecks upon pecks of vari-colored confetti were thrown high into the air, and altogether it became an enchanting and exhilarating scene. The members of the committee were Emory F. Wolgamot, M. M. Lesser and Osmond Loew.

The Executive Committee of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League directed that the twenty-third anniversary of its founding be celebrated in its own rooms, which proceeding was quite a welcome change from the usual rut of attending annual banquets at some hotel or other, affairs altogether too formal and ceremonious, and such that exacted requirements for full dress and prompt attendance. As it were last Saturday evening the rooms were cleared or otherwise arranged for long tables to hold good things that were to come. There were over half a hundred members present, and President Nubser called the meeting to order and spoke at some length, dwelling upon the importance of brotherly love and congenial intercourse, which is the strongest foundation of a community. Mr. Hodgson, who is an honorary member of the League, was invited to address, and with his extensive acquaintance with affairs in which the deaf are concerned, he expressed his belief that for recreation and pleasure, the Union League was in the fore, not only in this country but most probably in the world, and congratulated the club heartily for the happy outcome of its many years' labor for the good, not only of its constituents, but of the deaf in general.

Messrs. Bothner and Frankenheim, the remaining founders of the Union League, also spoke, the former said the success of the League was due in the main to the solidarity of the Alumni of the Lexington Avenue School, and the latter gave his impressions of the various societies he visited in his recent trip West, and with some feeling, he announced that his house at 531 Lexington Avenue, where his family had resided over forty years, will be to let for rent next February, and in that house just twenty-three years ago, the Union League was organized. He pro-

mised the club a large photograph of the house to be hung up in the club room with the title, "The Birthplace of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League."

The speechifying was ended, and the tables were soon loaded with German eatables as hot frankfurters, delicious ham and swiss cheese, sauerkraut and pickles and the finest product of the Pabst house, namely the "Blue Ribbon" and champagne cider. When it was ever, not a single vestige of the food was left, and nearly every member became an Oliver Twist, which bore testimony to the fact that the feast was enjoyed immensely.

The League of Elect Surds held its annual "Watch Night" in its rooms, on December 31st.

The program began with an address by the Grand Ruler, Alex L. Pach.

Then followed a humorous declamation by Bro. Wm. G. Jones. A dialogue between Bros. C. J. LeClercq and E. Souweine "brought down the house," as it was given in the most comical vein imaginable.

After this a debate between Bros. Jones and Pach, in the affirmative, and Bros. Souweine and LeClercq, in the negative, made all laugh, as it was filled with absurdities so illogical and foreign to the question.

The presentation of diplomas was another series of jokes, each member receiving a toy of some kind as a present.

As the "witching hour of night" had almost arrived, the supper was served, and at precisely twelve o'clock all toasted the New Year.

The prizes were won by Grand Ruler Pach, a fine leather suit case; by Bro. C. J. LeClercq, a silk umbrella; and again by Grand Ruler Pach, a pair of military hair brushes.

"Don't forget to attend the Dramatic Reading entitled 'Samson,' which will be rendered by Louis A. Cohen in the large auditorium of the Young Men's Hebrew Association, southeast cor. of 92d Street and Lexington Avenue, on Saturday evening, January 9th, 1909, at 8.15 o'clock. The four-act play 'Samson' is a modern play and is in reality dramatic and a stirring one from start to finish. It occurred in Paris, France, in 1908, and is a play of society, love and finance. Mr. Louis A. Cohen has given due attention in preparing his pantomime, and as it will be his first appearance to give a dramatic reading before the deaf public it is an assured fact that he will no doubt make it a success, as he is an excellent sign maker and will hold every one to the end of the fourth act.

The auditorium has a comfortable seating capacity of 450 with a gallery. The stage resembles that of a theatre, is large and will give the deaf an excellent view without obstruction. The Entertainment Committee of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Hebrew Congregation of the Deaf have done everything in their power to make the affair a success, and due attention will be given to those who attend. Tickets are only twenty-five cents each, and the proceeds will be used for charitable purposes among the needy deaf. Don't forget Southeast Corner of 92d Street and Lexington Avenue. Entrance on Lexington Avenue door. This will avoid confusion."

On Saturday evening, Dec. 19th, a birthday party was tendered to Mr. Louis H. Kutner, President of the Borough Park Deaf-Mute Club, by his parents, in the spacious Club House of which Mr. Kutner's parents are proprietors. A number of deaf-mutes were invited, mostly the members of the club, and it is with much regret that only two-thirds of the members invited were present. Bowling was the chief amusement, played by both sexes in the Club House bowling alleys. Such fun was kept up until the score was complete, and after that the guests were called up into the spacious dining room, where a long table with an elaborate spread was ready. Toasts were given by Messrs. Max M. Lubin, Charles Schatzkin, Frank Winters and J. Seandel. Mr. Kutner received many handsome presents. After the party, the guests assembled into the reading room, where lots of fun and talk was going on until after midnight, and all thanked the parents of Mr. Kutner for the treat. Among those present were: Mr. Frank J. Winters, Miss Emily Thorman, Mr. Wm. J. Aalbu, Miss A. Muller, Mr. Herman Plapinger, Miss Sarah Rubien, Mr. Charles Schatzkin, Mr. Henry Plapinger, Mr. John Mason, Mr. Julius Seandel and Mr. Max M. Lubin.

Another success was had in the Rolling Ball Party which was held in the Vestry rooms of Temple Beth Israel Bikur Cholim, 72d Street and Lexington Avenue, on Saturday evening, December 26th last, under the auspices of the Hebrew Congregation of the Deaf. Fully one hundred and twenty-five persons were there and enjoyed themselves immensely. Coffee and cakes were served at eleven o'clock, and prizes were awarded to the winners, viz:—

First prize, cigar lighter, to Mr. Bramson; second prize, olive tray out glass, to Miss May Wolk; third prize, nut set, to Mr. Arthur Enger; fourth prize, beer stein, to Mr. Gall; fifth prize, picture stand, to Mr. A. A. Cohen; sixth prize, card box and scissors, to Mr. Abe Fink; seventh prize, hair jar, to Miss Koplick.

The above in Rolling Ball games for highest points gained.  
Potato Race for Females—Miss Sablow, hat pin.

Potato Race for Males—Mr. Mandel Rosenberg, picture frame with picture.

Peanut Race for Females—Mrs. Lieberman, picture frame with picture; for males—David Mendelsohn, pipe rack.

The prizes were useful as well as beautiful, which created envy on the part of those who did not win.

The handsome rolling ball boards were made by Henry Miller, who is the head carpenter at the Lexington Avenue School for the Deaf, specially for us, and proved of excellent workmanship. We will keep them for a "Combination Party" which will be held later on.

The old year was given a royal send-off, and the new welcomed with enthusiasm and bumpers of claret of a mild vintage by the Xavier Deaf-Mute Club's members to the number of twenty, evening of December 31st. Some excellent entertainment was provided by Tom Grogan, the club's chef, who also served an appetizing luncheon. Each of the members received a token of the Yuletide season, and the disposition of the gifts was followed by a snake-fest with the et ceteras consistent with the observance of a well-conducted stag affair. President O'Donnell made a noteworthy speech, succeeded by Vice-President Dundon, and the other officers and members, including: J. F. O'Brien, Julius Kickers, Frank Hayden, Dey Sullivan, P. F. Cassidy, John Franks, Hugo Schmidt, Andrew Mattes, Rocco Dragonetti, Val Goetz, Col. Duffy, Chris. Newman, E. Matthews, and Eugene Pons.

A Yuletide reception was tendered the officers of the Xavier Ephpheta Society and a few personal friends, by the President, Miss Louise Cathor, December 27th, at the cosy home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Veilberth, Prospect Avenue, Bronx Borough. Assisted by their accomplished daughter, Miss Minnie Veilberth, the host and hostess extended a hearty welcome to the silent friends of their niece, and a very enjoyable evening was the outcome. Mr. Veilberth, a skilled electrician, had set up a six-foot Christmas tree, which was brilliantly illuminated with colored electric bulbs. Mrs. Veilberth served a bountiful supper that received full justice from those who sat down thereto. Rev. Father McCarthy being included. Favors were given—miniature gilt picture frames for the ladies, and dainty Gibson girl portraits for the gentlemen.

Concluding the repast, the ladies adjourned to the parlor, while the gentlemen were invited to Mr. Veilberth's "den," where they sampled some prime perfectos and good old Rhine, and spent an agreeable half hour inspecting the many novelties he has collected on his trips in this country and Europe.

Later in the evening the motherly hostess served cake and frozen dainties. In the interim, Miss Minnie arranged several games, offering prizes to the winners, which were competed for with enthusiasm and amid much merriment. When adjournment came at a late hour, Mr. and Mrs. Veilberth were voted capable exponents of the roles of Lord and Lady Bountiful, and their daughter and niece were included in the best wishes for a bright and prosperous New Year from those present, who were Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Donnelly, Miss Nora Joyce, Miss Annie Ryan, Miss M. Murray, Mr. S. J. Fogarty and Mr. and Mrs. John F. O'Brien.

Sister Rose Gertrude's recent visit to Manhattan attracted a large gathering at St. Francis Xavier's, among which was Mrs. Robert McGinnis, who extended the invitation for Sister Rose, and also several non-Catholic deaf-mutes from the Nutmeg State, attesting to the high esteem in which Sister Rose is held by the deaf in general. Accompanying her on the trip was Sister Loui, who is learning the sign language. Their sojourn in town was a very busy one, in the morning attending the Sunday School at St. Rose of Lima's, where Sister Rose addressed the boys and girls, and was given a most cordial reception by them in turn. The afternoon was at St. Francis Xavier's, to a large gathering, who were impressed with the discourse Sister Rose gave, her theme being the first questions included in the first pages of the Catholic Catechism. Her sign delivery was a revelation to most of the auditors, one young lady remarking it was as good as a whole week's mission, and no one present was more pleased with the rendering than Father McCarthy, who, at the conclusion of the sermon, conducted benediction in the lower Church.

A brilliant wind-up to the holiday festivities among the Catholic deaf was the reception given by St. Peter's Society, at St. Peter's College Hall, Jersey City, January 30th, from 3 to 6 P.M. Frank Hayden of the Xavier Club, posed for the plaquits of a very large assembly in the guise of Santa Claus, and also headed the distribution among the guests. President Julius Kickers made a capital speech, welcoming all to New Jersey. The Rector of the College wished all a Happy New Year, and evinced his interest on the good work of Father McCarthy, who interpreted his remarks. The boys and girls from the Trenton School were represented handsomely, both in numbers and appearance. While the visitors were munching gum drops, caramels and chocolate drops, the moving picture man was showing some real good and up-to-date scenes and incidents on the curtain. After the exercises in the hall, all adjourned to St. Peter's beautiful church, where Rev. Father McCarthy offered benediction.

Mr. Jacques Alexander, secretary of the International Deaf Artists Club, is in receipt of a letter and booklet from Mons. Felix Martin of Paris, France. It will be recalled Mons. Martin was one of the founders of the French Government School for the Deaf. He is a sculptor of fame. One of his statues of Abbe de Eplee stands at Paris school and is the first to the Abbe. Mr. Martin instructed Ferdinand Hamar in sculpture, and it is well known Hamar was the sculptor of the statue of Rochambeau, at Washington, D. C. Mr. Martin expresses great pleasure at his being a member of the International Artists, and hopes the good work of assistance to deaf artists will go on. He wishes to encourage this work in every way and desires to be of assistance and help.

Rev. Father McCarthy spent holiday week, from Monday, December 28th to Friday, January 1st, in Baltimore, Md., where he conducted a successful and well-attended mission to the Catholic deaf of that city. An encouraging incident was the presence of His Grace, the Bishop on the last day of the Mission. Father McCarthy was pleased to find the deaf of Baltimore were able to understand his sign delivery, and it is to be hoped his services from henceforth will be in general demand by the Catholic deaf of other cities. The mission was held in the Jesuit Church of Baltimore, where Rev. Father Purcell, S.J., looks after the spiritual welfare of the Catholic deaf.

Mr. Alex Dezendorf, who has been employed by the same firm, in Fulton Market for over thirty years, injured his right hand so severely a few days ago, that it was feared amputation would have to be resorted to. He was removed to St. Mary's Hospital where the skill of the medical staff prevented blood poison from setting in, and our friend Mr. Dezendorf will soon walk out of the hospital with both hands "on" and still in favor of the Combined System. Had he lost his right hand, he would have had to join the oral method crowd. If such had been the case, he would prefer to use the Dutch language. It will be some time before he can return to work.

Mr. Frederick A. Stratton died, at his home, on Sunday morning, January 3d, of pneumonia, in his 69th year. Funeral services were held by Rev. Dr. Chamberlain and Rev. Mr. Keiser, on Tuesday evening, January 5th.

Mr. Stratton was educated at the Philadelphia Institution, but has lived in this city for nearly forty-five years. He has been employed as a packer by Lord and Taylor for twenty-two years. He is survived by his wife and a grown-up son.

There can be seen every day at noon a gathering of deaf-mutes at the corner of Broadway and Fulton Street. The centre of attraction seems to be Anthony Reiff, who works for *Evening Post* (Book.) Anthony emerges daily at noon from his place of employment for a whiff of fresh air, and is always sure to find a dozen or more deaf-mutes waiting for him across the street. At one o'clock all are back at work.

The many friends of Mrs. William Hutton will be sorry to learn that she has been on the sick list for several weeks, and had to be taken from San Francisco to Los Angeles, as climate at the former place did not agree with her. Mr. Hutton had a very lucrative position in San Francisco, but has been forced to give it up and move back to Los Angeles.

Rev. John H. Keiser preached a stirring sermon at St. Ann's Church, last Sunday, taking as the theme of his discourse the earthquake in Italy. There was quite a large congregation. Rev. Mr. Keiser officiated at the service of the Holy Communion for the first time in the church since his ordination.

Mrs. R. M. Stevenson was greatly disappointed because her classmate, Mrs. Thomas Breen, of Philadelphia, failed to call on her during her visit to her daughter, May, who resides in Brooklyn Borough.

Mr. Samuel M. Freedman, of Waterbury, Ct., was in Danielson one day recently, and was sorry he did not see his schoolmate, C. Isbell, on the occasion. Had he sent Samuel the card sooner, he might have made an effort to seek him. After that day Samuel killed two birds with one stone, when he visited Hartford and New Haven, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. Dackerman are feeling very proud and happy over an addition in the family, in the shape of a fine, bouncing little girl, which Papa Dackerman declares tipped the scales at nine pounds. The baby has all the traces of Philip's ancestors—the German.

Mr. F. W. Nubser got a nodding manikin as a present from the League of Elect Surds. He passed it around for inspection at the Union League rooms on January 1st, in the early morning, and it got lost. He wishes it returned.

Misses Belle Bromson and Jennie Goldstein, young Hebrew girls, of Providence, R. I., expect to go to New York City in time to attend the Grand Ball on January the twenty-seventh.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sanders, of Philadelphia, have been in New York and vicinity for a week. All their New York friends were glad to see them and sorry they could not stay longer.

Mr. Timothy F. Driscoll died early Tuesday morning. His funeral will be held in St. Matthew's Church, West 84th Street, near Central Park, on Friday, January 8th, at 2 P.M.

Mrs. I. N. Soper returned to town last Friday, after a week spent at the home of her son and his wife in Peekskill.

Mrs. Isabella Fosmire spent the Christmas holidays very enjoyably in Ridgefield, Ct.

Mrs. Susan Knox is seriously ill, at the home of Rev. Dr. Chamberlain.

## ROCHESTER.

Quite a number of out-of-town deaf were recent visitors. Among them were Mr. Samuel Frankenheim, of New York City. He stopped here on his way home from a visit to Chicago and Buffalo, and called on his old friends and former New Yorkers, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hochstuhl, of Wooden Street.

Mr. and Mrs. John Klein, of Buffalo, left for home to-day after spending some time with their relatives. They also called on a number of their friends.

Mrs. Leary, of Perry, and sister, Mrs. Browning, of Port Byron, were guests of Mrs. Hochstuhl for two days last week.

Mr. George Davis was tendered a very nice surprise party on the evening of December 12th, in honor of his birthday, which fell on the 15th inst. About thirty were present, and a very enjoyable time was had by all. Mr. Davis received some pretty remembrances. Various games were indulged in, and a bountiful luncheon was served, consisting of sandwiches, Saratoga chips, and delicious coffee and bonbons.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hochstuhl spent the Christmas holidays with Mr. Hochstuhl's brother at East Aurora, N. Y., and reports having had a very nice visit.

Miss Eva Sullivan spent New Year's with friends in Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. and Frank Keller gave a family dinner on New Year's Day. Covers were laid for fourteen.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Wood, returned home December 5th, from a long visit with friends and relatives in Syracuse, and Oneida. While in Syracuse, they called on Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stevens, former Rochesterians and found them well.

Mr. Raymond Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood, is now travelling in Western New York, as book agent. His present stopping place is Buffalo, N. Y.

The Silent Outing Club gave an oyster supper at the Parish House, Thursday evening, December 17th, and was a success in every way. Some prominent ladies of the Parish were patronesses, including Mrs. R. R. Converse, wife of the Rector. The following had charge of the affair: Ira Todd, A. Kowski and C. Peterson. They were assisted by the following ladies, Mrs. A. Hochstuhl, Mrs. C. Colgan, Geo. Davis, and Mrs. A. Kowski. Part of the proceeds go to St. Luke's Church.

Mrs. Lincoln Ellis and children, of Cortland, called on friends at the Institution recently. Mrs. Ellis was sorry not to be able to call on all her friends, as her stay in the city was brief.

Mr. William Haenzel was in town recently, calling on friends.

Miss Bertha Flynn, of Newark, N. Y., was a recent visitor at the home of Miss Emma Keyes.

James McCabe, who is employed at the Institution, spent Christmas with friends at Pittsford, N. Y., a suburb of Rochester.

Surprise parties were tendered Mrs. Wackerman and Mr. and Mrs. Kowski, on the evening of December 31st, at their homes.

Mrs. Elmore (nee Annie Porter) of Albion, N. Y., was married not long ago, to Mr. Shufelt, of Taylor,

N. Y., a former Fanwoodite. The bride was educated at the local Institution. They have the best wishes of their Rochester friends.

Mr. Albro I. Johnson was converted to the Catholic faith on Sunday, December 27th, by Rev. Father Englehardt. The ceremony took place at Mr. Johnson's home, on account of his being an invalid. His little home was tastefully decorated for the occasion.

## ST. LOUIS.

MOUNT VERNON, ILL., Dec. 27, 1908—Walter Puckett, a deaf-mute, youngest son of Jas. Puckett, a prominent farmer of Spring Garden Township, made two unsuccessful attempts yesterday to get a marriage license. His chosen, also a deaf-mute, is a Marion young lady, and the affair was to have been the outcome of a romantic courtship at the Jacksonville, Ill., School for the Deaf.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat*.

The County Clerk at Marion refused to grant the marriage license, as it developed that Puckett had been married before, but had insufficient evidence of divorce. Coming to Mt. Vernon, he was equally unsuccessful. County Clerk W. R. Phelps, telephoned the Circuit Clerk at St. Louis, and learned that Hattie Puckett (also a deaf-mute) had secured a divorce at St. Louis, in June 1907. Walter Puckett then returned in excellent humor to Marion, Ill., armed with this conclusive evidence and expects to be happily married. Puckett formerly lived here. Puckett's divorced wife, named Miss Hattie Bowlin, resides here, in St. Louis with her mother, at 2911 Washington Avenue, and is among our first society ladies.

The mother of Mary and William Kellermann, who was ill and feeble for years, is greatly improved in health, and we hope she will live a number of years yet. She is in her eighty-first year.

The following young lady students were victims of the measles at the Institution on Garrison Avenue: Misses Mary Janeson, Josephine Hoetger, Frances Raw, Annie Raw, Kate Croughen, Lucille Kiersey and Loretta Hindest. It turned out to be a mild type, so they all rapidly recovered their health with the expedition of Miss Hoetger who was taken to a friend's house, where she is in good hands.

Following were visitors at 901 N. Garrison Avenue, on Sunday, December 27th: Mrs. Mary Harden, Miss Clara Steidemann and brother, A. Steidemann, Michael Murphy, B. P. Verniel, of Collinsville, Ill., and "Yours truly."

Miss Mary Kaufman has been confined indoors at the Institution for four weeks, on account of rheumatism in her shoulder. She is convalescing.

Joseph Steppich, Jr., has been confined at St. Mary's Hospital for one month on account of an injury to his leg, he having been severely kicked by a horse.

Sunday morning, December 27th, on descending the steps leading into the street, Henry McCamley slipped and fell, injuring his hand so badly, that it caused a painful swelling.

Sunday evening, December 27th, there was a Christmas social at the residence of Rev. Schubkegel. The time-honored evergreen tree was laden with lighted Roman candles, thus reminding us of Yuletide and all the many blessings. The invited guests arrived on time. The reverend gentleman delivered a short address explaining some problems on Christmas subject. The evening was very enjoyably spent by all up to the eleventh hour. Those present: Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Mattie Fisher, Mrs. W. T. Campbell, Mrs. A. Kugelmann, Miss Emily Engelhorn, Miss Louisa Kamp, Messrs. J. E. Campbell, H. Stumpf, A. Brockman, H. Stahn, W. E. Campbell, Fisher, J. H. May.

Sunday evening, December 27th, a large party was given at the home of Miss Lizzie Otten by the members of the St. Frances De Salle Society. It was in honor of the sixtieth year of the manager of Mr. and Mrs. Temborious, grand-parents of Miss Otten. As we were not on hand we are unable to give further particulars, but every one had a good time.

After living in one place at 17th and Wash Streets sixteen years, W. C. Blackham has moved to 1453a Dodder Street, where he boards with Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich.

The following deaf people are boarding with Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich: Miss B. Kraft, Anthony Toliver and W. C. Blackham.

Mrs. H. Aldrich has a deaf-mute cousin, named Master Baker, of Dixon, Mo., aged 11 years, who never attended any school. His parents are afraid to send him away to school, as they might misuse him. The compulsory education law in this State ought to be enforced in this case.

At the enche party given Saturday evening, December 31st, Mr. and Mrs. Stiglemaun's, the following mute were prize winners: Gents—G. D. Hunter, A. G. Rodenberger, Rev. J. H. Cloud; Ladies—Miss A. Molloy, Mrs. Stafford, Miss H. Bolin.



## CHICAGO.

H. A. Brimble, 3535 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago.

Mr. Edwin Bowes, Jr., in behalf of his brothers and his sister, acknowledged the club's letters of condolence as follows:

Mr. Ed. ROWSE, Pas-a-Pas Club.

DEAR SIR:—We have your expression of sympathy on account of the death of our father. I take this occasion in behalf of my brothers and sister as well as myself to thank you and the club and all those who assisted at the funeral, as well as for the beautiful floral piece which was sent by the club.

The name of the club which interpreted means "Step by Step" is singularly appropriate as indicating the progress of one's life from time of birth to the day when the body is laid at rest.

Thanking you very kindly, I remain Yours very sincerely,  
Edwin Bowes

Mr. Edwin Bowes, Jr., is the son of the late Edwin Bowes, of Bowes Investment Co.

Grace Episcopal Church, of which Rev. Mr. Flick is the pastor, gave an elaborate Christmas tree festival, in which about one hundred people of the deaf participated.

The tree was tall and spreading, magnificently ornamented, illuminated with colored electric bulbs, making a gorgeous spectacle. Mr. Charles Angle impersonated Santa, and waddled toward the tree, laden with a huge bag, in which toys were stored. He made a greeting to the children and began distributing the presents. Each received either a teddy-bear or doll-box of candy. Adults received their presents, presented by their friends. Each one received a box of candy.

True Christmas spirit was hovering around, notwithstanding the fact that it was three days past—because the Parish house hall was engaged by another society.

The children, especially, were happy and enthusiastic over their presents. Mrs. Watson and Clinton Brimble recited a piece, "Just Christmas Morning," and Mrs. Watson interpreted for him in the sign-language.

The scene was very amusing as well as laughable. Then Miss Mildred and Master Charles Angle, Jr., came next, and said their piece, Miss Mildred interpreting.

The pastor was presented with a five dollar bill contributed by the members of his church; which he accepted with thanks.

Some time ago the pastor sent word to Bishop Anderson requesting him to come on December 27th, at 3 P.M., to confirm six of his members.

Those confirmed were: Mr. and Mrs. Luttrell, Mr. and Mrs. Brimble, Mrs. E. Codman, Mr. Sheehan.

The pastor served refreshments to his class at his residence, Sunday evening of the same date.

Mrs. Gordon died unexpectedly at 11 A.M., on Tuesday, from the result of an operation. There seemed a favorable chance for her recovery, but a sudden change when she requested to be taken home resulted in her demise. Buried Thursday, at 11 A.M.

Mr. Robert O. Granville, of Morris, Ill., has been staying with relatives here for three weeks. We are pleased Mr. Granville has subscribed for the JOURNAL. He is the possessor of a large farm fully equipped with all modern agricultural improvements.

Mr. and Mrs. Perlmutter gave a farewell party in honor of Miss Siler, of St. Louis, Mo. Miss Siler left for her home last Saturday.

Mr. Thomas Comb, of Richhill, Mo., is in the city for a week's visit. Not long ago his father, who was the owner of a large coal mine, died and left him and his sister in the possession of his property. He is the only deaf mute who controls this line of business as far as we know. We wish him success in this immense undertaking.

Mr. Alfred Liebenstein has been promoted to a higher and more responsible position in the cutting department of Ederheimer, Stein & Co., the Wholesale Clothiers, and is no longer under the surveillance of a foreman. Further he has been appointed by President Craig, as Chairman of the Club's annual picnic for July 31st next. He has engaged a beautiful grove out in Hammond, Ind. And more than that, Alfred is "cutting" quite a figure. He has won two boxes of cigars, throwing at dice. We hope his ability at "cutting" did not cause him to "cut" his old friends.

The N. F. S. D. gave an informal reception and entertainment last New Year day, from 12 noon until midnight. Tickets received at the door show three hundred were admitted. A round up of speeches, stories and reminiscences were made. Oysters, games, sandwiches, coffee and lemonade were served. Dancing, card playing, and all sorts of amusements were indulged in by the merry crowd. A flashlight picture was taken by Mr. H. Witte. They sent out cards announcing the forthcoming annual masquerade ball for February 6th. Fine prizes will be given to the best and original masqueraders. Don't miss it. Mr. S. Mebane is chairman of the committee.

The Addressograph Company, where Mrs. Roy Carpenter is employed, gave out its annual report of proof-reading. It shows that

Mrs. Carpenter and two others are the only ones who made at least number of errors in one year. This means a compliment and a raise in salary. Mrs. Carpenter is capable of turning out two thousand copies a day.

Mrs. Hennie Left, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Morton Sonneborn, entertained their friends last Thursday evening, at a watch-party. There were many new original games which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The winners of the prizes were: Cereal-game—Mrs. Watson, The Housekeepers' Friend; Mr. Ben Frank, coat-hangers.

Pipe-game—Mrs. Geo. Flick, a broker idol; Mr. O. Regensburg, silver talcum powder case.

Mit-game—Mr. Craig, folding drinking cup; Mrs. Dougherty, a silver strainer.

Snap-dragon—Miss Susan McKee, a box of assorted lead pencils; Mr. Alfred Liebenstein, cigar cutter, gold trimmed.

The winners were very much pleased with their prizes.

During recess they helped themselves with grape juice punch, prepared and placed on a table for all to help themselves.

Mrs. Klugon, graphically recited "Ring Out the Old, Ring in the New," by Tennyson.

At twelve midnight the guests were all given numbered slips and were ushered into the dining room to find their respective numbered place. The table was laden with fruits, nuts, a variety of cookies, rye and white bread, chickens, salads, cheese, candies and delicious ice cream. Before each plate was placed a "Snapper," and a Souvenir wine glass, with "Happy New Year" printed on, was placed at each gentleman's plate, and a small cute Souvenir ovine-cups, with the dove of peace, on its perch, at the ladies' plates.

When the big clock in the dining room struck 12, they began pulling the "Snappers." Trinkets were found concealed, such as brooches, necklaces, ring, etc. Each was provided with a paper cap of all colors and styles.

Mr. Oscar Regensburg arose and toasted Mrs. Left, wishing her a happy and prosperous year, which brought the festivity to a close.

The invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Dougherty, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Mr. Mrs. E. Craig, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brimble, Mr. and Mrs. Flick, Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank, Mesdames E. Codman, R. Carpenter, Misses S. McKee, German, Messrs. O. Regensburg, H. Hart, A. Liebenstein, A. Gunner.

## WASHINGTON, D. C.

Christmas and 1908 are now things of the past and we have now to see what 1909 has in store for us.

Washingtonians—that is, the deaf portion thereof—were much pleased with the recent decision of the United States Civil Service Commission to allow deaf persons to take the examinations for such positions as they are capable of filling. Our thanks are due to Secretary of the Interior Garfield for the interest he has taken in the matter, and to Dr. Gallaudet, who has argued the question in season and out of season with the Commission, and with various officials of the Government, besides taking care that Mr. Garfield did not forget to bring the matter to the personal attention of the President. It remains to be seen what positions the deaf will be considered capable of filling. Some people have rather hazy ideas as to what work a deaf man can do.

For some months Mr. Arthur D. Bryant, art instructor at Kendall Green, has been conducting bi-weekly service for the deaf at Calvary Baptist Church. These meetings have been quite well attended, and it is reported that two persons have been baptized and joined that church, and that several others contemplate doing the same.

The Baptists held a Christmas entertainment, on December 29th, with a large attendance, about half of those present being from Gallaudet College. There was a lecture by Dr. Draper, of the College, and several hymns by young lady students of Gallaudet, besides one or two numbers by the local deaf. The literary exercises were followed by refreshments of ice cream, cake and sandwiches, which, we understand, were donated by a hearing lady, a Mrs. Evans.

The Episcopal Mission had its annual Christmas Festival on December 31st, in Trinity Parish Hall. There were approximately eighty-five persons present, a somewhat larger attendance than usual. Over the platform was an arch of plaques, spelling "Merry Christmas," and a large and beautifully decorated Christmas tree stood in one corner of the room. The exercises were opened with a prayer by the Rev. Mr. Whildin. Mr. Stafford, the Lay-reader, then read the old, but ever interesting story of the Saviour's birth, and Mrs. Erickson told the story of "The Other Wise Man," a very beautiful and touching story written by Rev. Henry Van Dyke.

Miss Mades assisted by Thelma Merrill then gave an amusing,

"playlet" depicting the coming of a Christmas fairy to a poverty-stricken home.

Following came our old friend Santa Claus, white whiskers, sack, and all, who distributed presents to the children and to some of the grownups, and candy and oranges to all hands. It being New Year's Eve, a tableau representing the departure of the Old Year (Mr. Erickson) and the coming of the New Year (Master Oscar Erickson) was given, closing a very pleasant evening's entertainment. This year, the Festival was given under the auspices of the Women's Guild, and credit should be given the ladies for its success, especially when the difficulties with which they had to contend are considered.

On the evening of December 25th, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Edington celebrated the 20th anniversary of their wedding. The celebration was also a "housewarming," being held in the Edington's new home at 1110 Sixth Street, N. E., to which they had removed only a short time previously. There were about thirty guests present to do justice to the Edington's hospitality and to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Edington on having reached their 20th milestone of wedded bliss. Mr. and Mrs. Edington received many beautiful pieces of china as souvenirs of the occasion.

The local papers recently contained notice of the incorporation of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, Messrs. Amos G. Draper, Herbert C. Merrill and Henry L. Stafford being named as incorporators.

Robert Collins is said to be in a local hospital in a critical condition with a large cancer on his face.

One of the troubles with religious services for the deaf is that, in many places, the deaf and hearing members of the church hold aloof from each other. In Durham, N. C., they seem to have solved the problem. In this city there is a flourishing Episcopal deaf-mute mission and when the hearing members of the Church have a bazaar or anything of the kind, the deaf are invited to help, and the deaf and hearing members of the congregation are thus brought together with beneficial results to both classes.

The recently appointed Bishop of Washington, the Rev. Dr. Harding, will be ordained on January 25th in Trinity Episcopal Church, in which church services for the deaf are held.

Mrs. Von L. Meyer, wife of the Postmaster General, gave a Christmas entertainment to the children of Post Office employees in Washington, and the children of the deaf employees received presents.

Miss W. Kilgore, a teacher in the School for the Deaf, at Parkville, Md., has been visiting friends in the city.

Mr. W. S. Marshall has just returned from a visit to friends and relatives in New York City.

M.

## BOSTON.

News items for this column should be sent to Miss Alice C. Jennings, 41 Norton Street, Dorchester, Mass.

Gratifying progress in preparation for the fair of February 23d, is now reported by Mrs. Bowden. There is no special committee, but the ladies of Beverly, Salem and Greater Boston irrespective of church relations, are cordially uniting in the work. "A trunkful of things" is already on hand, and much more is promised. The fair, as already stated, is in aid of the New England Home for the Aged Deaf, and will be held at the Parish House of Trinity Church, Boston—a more convenient place, at that inclement season, than the Home itself would be. Only the small fee of ten cents will be charged for admission. At that rate, it would seem that the undertaking should be well patronized.

On the ninth of December, a sewing circle in connection with this work was held at the home of Mrs. Ira H. Derby, South Weymouth. Ten ladies were present—viz., Mesdames Roberts, Beecher and Holmes, of the Gallaudet Society; Mesdames Abrams, Blanchard, Bigelow, Derby, Rudolph, and Miss Moore, of the Boston Society; and Mrs. Bowden, of Beverly. Most of these ladies left their homes before eight o'clock, spending the entire day, and working busily meanwhile. A delightful time was reported.

The next meeting this kind will be held with Mrs. Abrams, of Dorchester, on Wednesday, December 30th, the ladies to come in the afternoon and the gentlemen to "tumble after" in the evening. After that, Mrs. Bowden will have it, and then will come Salem and Lynn.

Mrs. Cross, of Beverly, is reported as especially generous and dainty in her entertainment. Work for a common object, and that a worthy one, certainly tends to foster sociability and a better understanding among the ladies.

The Gallaudet birthday was not altogether unnoticed in Boston, although our small celebration could not vie in brilliancy with that of New York and some other places. A "social and memorial" was held

at Arcade Hall, on the evening of Saturday, December 12th. Between thirty and forty people were present. As weather, walking and Christmas work all interfered with the coming of the ladies, the male element preponderated among the audience. Mr. Bigelow presided, ably seconded by the sub-committee, Mr. Derby. The principal address was by Mr. H. C. White.

In strong and graceful signs he depicted the darkness and silence once shrouding the path of the deaf-mute, and the beginnings of light in the work of Laurent Clerc, the Abbe de l'Epee and our own Dr. Gallaudet, who learned something from these, but carried on the work in his own way. To the monument erected to his memory, which it is desired to repair, the deaf-mutes of the whole country contributed, and it belongs to them to keep it in good condition. Mr. White was followed by Mr. Holmes—the "grand old man"—who spoke of having seen Dr. Gallaudet when a child. Both he, and those who followed him, Messrs. Derby, Abbott, Daniels, Bigelow and others, spoke with much energy, but held differing views as to the best mode of attaining the desired object, one conclusion being that the needed money had better be raised by personal subscription.

The discussion over, some of the fair ones vanished, soon returning with generous mugs of coffee and trays of delicious cake, over which private and public news was rehearsed until the assembly broke up at half past ten. The holidays, with their gifts and greetings, have come and gone, leaving Bostonians, like the rest of the world, in various degrees of weariness and happiness. Among the deaf, as among all others, reunions of relatives, near and far, have been common. The brother of Mrs. Fred Wood, with his wife, arrived from Ohio on Christmas morning, for a brief, but pleasant visit with the family in Dorchester, and doubtless many other families could tell the same story.

The season also brought a number of unusual attendants at the Boston Society, and the intervening social events, including Mr. West, of Greenfield, a Hartford graduate; Mr. Paul Meacham, a present pupil there; Mr. Herman B. Erbe, of Waterbury, Ct.; and the recently married Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Brown. Mrs. Brown will be remembered as Mrs. Hopkins. They are an excellent couple and make a fine appearance.

Travel between Boston and Hartford has not been confined to one direction only for Mr. Goldsmith spent his three days vacation in the good old city, so dear to many deaf people and sent souvenir cards from it to some of his Boston friends.

The teacher of the Boston Society Bible Class was both surprised and pleased at the large number of pretty Christmas and New Year gifts received from her pupils. Mr. Goldsmith headed the list with a useful portfolio; while books, sachets, handkerchiefs and cards came from many others, including Mr. and Mrs. Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. Derby, Mrs. Rudolph, Mrs. Abrams, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Eugene Acheson, and Miss Short.

More than the gifts themselves, she values the kind thought behind them, and the best gift of all is the increased attendance and greater interest shown in the lesson. The average attendance for the first quarter of the school has been twenty per cent larger than during any similar period since she took the class. Gifts and greetings over, we are now gradually going back to our natural selves, having suffered some aberrations of mind through being so absorbed with them. One estimable Dorchester resident, usually immaculate in his attire, actually started for his business with the old battered hat, which he wears when about his furnace duties, covering his brilliant brain. Fortunately, he had not reached the corner before his wits returned, and he hurried back to exchange it for something less disreputable. The manufacture of a wonderful doll-house as a Christmas gift for his little girl was one cause of his abstraction.

During the interval between Mr. Wyand's departure, December 6th, and his expected return, January 10th, the pulpit of the Boston Society has been variously occupied. Mrs. Bowden has preached twice; Mr. Goldsmith spoke, December 13th, while, on the 27th, there was a prayer-meeting led by Miss Jennings, who spoke on "Christ's argument from the birds and flowers."

Work for the Fair still goes on, and meetings for that purpose are delightful, socially, and always add something to the funds, even if the actual work accomplished be not large. That at Mrs. Abrams, on the thirtieth of December, will be long remembered—the genial presence of Mr. Herman R. Erbe, adding much to the pleasure of the occasion.

For genuine, wholesome enjoyment, commend us to a party of deaf people whose tastes and sympathies are in harmony. Their wit and good sense, their cheer and liveliness, would surpass that of many a more conventional group.

When, as in this case, they are old schoolmates, and can enliven the talk with many reminiscences, the pleasure is greatly enhanced.

Of the ten ladies present on this occasion, one half—Mesdames Rudolph, Bigelow, Holmes, Wood and Abrams—were joined at supper by their husbands. The remaining five were Mesdames Becker, Blanchard and Walker, Miss Jennings and Mrs. Kate Acheson. The latter lady should have been mentioned among those present at Mrs. Derby's, December 9th.

Messrs. Erbe, Meacham, and Perry brought the total number up to eighteen. These three gentlemen, not being attended by ladies, made themselves generally agreeable to everybody. Several delightful games were played, in which all but the wisest got fooled in one way or another. The question arising as to whether the next meeting should be held with Mrs. Blanchard or Mrs. Holmes was finally decided, by lot, in favor of the former lady, with whom we are to meet Wednesday, January 13th.

With Mr. Wyand as our preacher, and these pleasant meetings between, it is hoped that the Boston deaf people may begin the New Year with energetic work of both a religious and social nature, which will tell greatly in the future.

On Sunday next, Jan. 10, Rev. E. C. Wyand will begin preaching for the Boston Society, and will remain in that position for a few months, at least. It is earnestly hoped that the attendants at that Society, both regular and occasional, will rally to his support, and do all in their power to make his work successful.

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## OHIO.

News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 938 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.

January 2, 1909.—Mrs. R. P. McGregor gave a New Year's evening party at her home in Grove City, to watch the old year going out and the new one's advent. The rooms for the occasion were handsomely festooned with plants and flowers, and the guests soon after their arrival were each given a poinsettia. To help pass the time pleasantly, a number of games were prepared, pads and pencils distributed and the guests given to answer the following questions.

### PARTS OF A TREE.

1. What part of a tree is like a dog?
2. What part is like going away?
3. What part is like an elephant?
4. What part is like a hog?
5. What part is like a stream?
6. What part is like a proud lady?
7. What part is like a hindrance?

Mr. Ernest Zell gave the correct answers, and for his skill was awarded a gilded buffalo. Next came the filling up of blanks with proper words in a story entitled "The Baker's Boy." The lines were in rhyme, and those versed in such found it easy to supply the proper words. Miss May Greener secured the prize in this contest, also a gilded buffalo. Two large sheets upon which were pasted colored comic pictures from the Sunday papers, headed "some of your friends" were fastened upon the walls, and the guests asked to name the characters the pictures represented. "Buster Brown," "The Newly Weds" and "Hoolligan," were some of them. Miss Buchanan handled the most correct list, and was given a loving cup. To Mr. Showalter was given the consolation prize, a large poinsettia. An appetizing luncheon was served during the evening, and after it pine apple ice with cake. Altogether the affair was greatly enjoyed by those participating in it, and on leaving for home extended the host and her daughters, Bessie and Jeanette, the felicitations of new year. The following attended: Dr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Zorn, Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. Ohlemacher, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Showalter, Mr. and Mrs. Neutzling, Mrs. Zell, Mrs. Wm. T. Rose, Mrs. Stewart, Misses Barry, of Baltimore, Lingle, of Dayton, Zell, May Greener, Biggam, and Buchanan, Messrs. C. W. Charles, A. G. Kent, Ernest Zell, Joseph Leib, and the writer.

The Anderson Club of Cincinnati, as is its custom, had a New Year's night watch to attend the outgoing and incoming years 1908-'09. The affair was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ekins. Mesdames Ekins and Wortman during the evening prepared a dinner for the members, which the latter say would be envied by even a king. All did justice to the meal and praised the culinary skill of the ladies for their splendid efforts. The members of the club present were Messrs. Wiltshire, Oxley, Herman Ekins, Emil G. Hoffman, J. H. Bov, Jas. F. Creeliman, L. J. Felix, L. J. Bacheberle and T. Senage.

Mr. R. S. Dewees, of Haverford, Pa., was in the city, Saturday. His brother Isaac came down from the Home, during the afternoon and next day, with the writer, went up there. Mr. Dewees desired to visit the place. He considers it a splendid property and location, and

after the close of the afternoon service, given by Mr. Greener, told the inmates, spelling on his fingers, that he was glad to see them look so happy and cheerful and that they had a good home here, and hoped they would appreciate the efforts of those who are working for its maintenance. He wished them all a Happy New Year.

The Press Post of this city had the following yesterday:—

A field that few have realized is open to them is being unconsciously developed by the moving picture theatres. It is the entertainment of the deaf and dumb. Many of them are constant spectators in the houses where the films are shown, and their delight at being able to follow the silent picture shows, and the meaning which they convey is interesting to watch.

"I took a deaf and dumb child to a moving picture show recently," said a 'olumbus man yesterday, "and though he has never been in a theater before, he had no difficulty in following the story. He was overjoyed at the sensation of witnessing a performance, and his pleasure could hardly be understood by those who are accustomed to witnessing mimic happenings constantly. I think that the moving picture theaters should emphasize the appeal which they undoubtedly make to the deaf."

Friends, here and elsewhere, of Theodore C. Mueller, will regret to hear of a mishap to him out in Bonner Springs, Kansas, recently. While trying to board a train, he fell and had his right foot injured. He was taken to St. Margaret's Hospital for treatment. We hope the injury is not severe, and that he will soon be about again.

During our school days there used to come to the Institution, occasionally, especially on holidays, two former pupils by the name of Prettyman. Their home was out in the country. From Columbus, one of them, Daniel, was quite near-sighted and his brother generally helped him along. For some years nothing has been heard of them. The other day Rev. Reese, of Trinity Church, received a request to come over to Reynoldsburg, and visit a blind deaf man, who resides near the village. The rector, who takes an unusual interest in the deaf of his Parish, went over to the town the other day, but he was compelled to walk two or three miles over the rough country roads before he came to the right house. Here he found the man, who proved to be Daniel Prettyman. He is now sixty-one years old, and does chores for the lady he lives with, Mrs. Heckleman.

Miss Cloa Lamson went up to Lorain, Monday, to visit with her sister till school re-opens. Mr. J. B. Showalter returned Tuesday, from Oberlin, where he had been on a visit to his son, Benjamin, who is a student of Oberlin College. Mr. Edward Burke, assistant to the foreman of the printing office is at Wapakoneta, visiting his parents.

Mrs. Joseph Leib spent the holidays at the home of her parents near Kenton, Ohio. Mr. C. M. Bohmer, of Pennsylvania, and a graduate of the Mt. Airy School, was a visitor here Tuesday. A. B. G.

## BALTIMORE.

The Annual Christmas Festival of Grace Deaf-Mute Mission, which has been a recurring event of many years past, was held on the evening of December 25th. Although the weather was wet and drizzly and the ground damp and soggy, over one hundred of the deaf members of the Mission and their friends were present. The Festival was in charge of Mr. W. W. Duvall, Jr., and his faithful band of assistants Misses Gourley and Stiegler, Mrs. Houghton and Mr. Hokemyer. Mr. McElroy acted as Santa Claus and Mr. Feast as his helpful wife. Both Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus were appropriately costumed.

The programme opened with prayers and selections of scripture read by the Rector of Grace Church, and the pastor, Rev. Mr. Whildin, then came beautifully rendered hymns by Misses Olive Whildin, and Daisy Boss and word-renditions of S-A-N-T-A C-L-A-U-S by the following children: Olive Whildin, Daisy Boss, Emma McCreary, Madeline Stevens, Clarence Leitna, Bertha Feast, Katharine Stiegler, Lizzie Elder, and Elizabeth Smithson. Following this appeared Santa and his spouse with large and ponderous bags, which, struck by the wand of Miss Olive Whildin, who appeared dressed up as a little fairy, poured forth their treasures of gifts of many shapes and sizes. The distribution of boxes of candy, oranges, etc., was then made under the supervision of Master of Ceremonies Duvall, by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, and there were none in the large assembly room who did not receive some remembrance from the Mission or from friends. Several received more than one gift; this being especially true of the children who seemed to be special favorites. Rev. Dr. Powell was reminded of the love of his deaf-mute friends with a large and costly calendar and Rev. Mr. Whildin received a handsome volume of "Heart Throbs." Sexton Boss and Garrison each received a beautiful box of suspenders. The custom of exchanging Christmas tokens, upon such occasions as the Christmas Festivals at Grace Chapel, has become an established institution and affords much pleasure to the recipients.

Many of the presents so distributed were costly and beautiful, and those receiving them were showered with congratulations.

Among the visitors from out of town during the holidays were Misses Edith and Lola Flair, of Frederick, Mr. Treischmann, of Ellicott City, Mr. Ramsay, of Sparrow's Point, Mr. Walter Halbach, of Hagerstown, Miss Cooper, of Carroll County, Mr. Fowble, of Greenmount, and several others whose identity we could not discover in the rapid rush of events.

An effort was made to get Mr. Robert P. McGregor to deliver a lecture under the auspices of Grace Mission, but owing to the short notice and prior engagements, the attempt was not successful. It is to be regretted that Mr. McGregor's intention to deliver a lecture at Gallaudet was not more widely heralded. Had it been, we are sure that other associations would have been glad to have his services and thus be in a position to contribute to the expense of his trip east.

Misses Beckie Newman and Alberta Wiegand gave a select New Year's reception at the former's residence on New Year's Day. As it was distinctively a "suffragette" affair and we were not invited, being a "boy," we could get no details to chronicle. The ladies who attend, however, report having had a delightful time.

On Thursday evening, December 31st, we attended the Christmas Festival of Trinity Mission, Washington, which was a very enjoyable and successful affair. It is not for us to describe the event, however. That task we leave to the Washington correspondent, but we wish to assure one Washington friends that their Christmas Tree was as beautiful, their programme as well arranged and carried out, their Santa Claus as bountiful, and their happiness as great as could be.

Mr. Herbert C. Merrill of the Meteorological Bureau, Washington, will deliver a lecture in Grace chapel on Friday evening, January 8th. Mr. Merrill's subject will be "Ben Hur" and a real treat is in store for all who will attend.

January 31st, the Annual Oyster Supper and Bazaar of Grace Mission will take place. The following persons have been selected to take charge of it. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Feast, Mr. Peter Krastel, Mrs. Houghton, Misses Wiegand, Newman, Gourley, Mrs. Nicholson, Mrs. Boss, and Messrs. McElroy, Hoke-meyer and Duvall.

The Christmas Festival of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Mission of the Deaf was held at the Mission School on Biddle Street, on Sunday evening, December 27th. Mr. Peter Krastel acted as Santa Claus, and distributed gifts to the children of the School. A large attendance of adults of all denominations was present. Refreshments were served by the sisters and a very enjoyable time was had. Rev. Father McCarthy, of New York, has been holding a mission for the Deaf nightly during the past week.

The Methodists had their annual festival at the Eutaw-St. Church, on Thursday evening, December 31st. Those who were present reported a large attendance and an enjoyable evening. We regret we have no details of the Festival. These will doubtless be supplied by another correspondent.

C. CALVERT.

### Deaf-Mute Inventor.

Spokane has a deaf mute inventor. William S. Smith, a mute living on Riverside Avenue, has secured a patent on an improvement on pocket scissors which is the twelfth patent he has secured since 1893. That this patent is well thought of is evidenced by the fact that he has already received a number of letters from eastern manufacturing firms asking him for a model and asking whether he would consider a proposition to sell the patent.

Mr. Smith has not decided whether to sell his patent or to get capital to back the manufacture of it. He has had several propositions made to him and will know in a few weeks what the outcome will be. He is now working on another patent and sent in his application a few weeks ago for a patent on the automatic scissors invented by him—*Spokane, Wash., Chronicle.*

Robert Drumbeller and wife, former students of the Mt. Airy School for the Deaf, have just commenced housekeeping in their new home at 323 Northampton Street, Bangor, Pa. Mr. Drumbeller has built a fine new home, and has it fitted out with all the modern convenience, including bath-room and electric-lights. Mr. Drumbeller is the efficient tailor for Geo. Pritchard, the largest clothier in his section of the country, and his many friends are delighted to hear that they are so nicely situated. Mrs. Drumbeller was formerly Miss Kate Wahl, of Fleetwood, Pa.

DOUGLASVILLE, GA., Dec. 27.—Deputy Sheriff F. Aderhold shot and fatally wounded Dummy Beavers, a negro mute, in the county jail here to-day. The deputy went into the prison and was attacked by the negro. The negro's condition is considered serious.



## GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The Christmas vacation has come and gone. The work of the second term began Tuesday, welcomed by some who found the holidays' irksome; others desired at least one more week of relaxation before resuming studies, as the time has passed so swiftly the benefits of rest are not apparent.

We were unfortunate in our Christmas weather. To begin with a drizzling rain made holiday shopping very unpleasant, then through the week we had no snow for coasting, no ice for skating, but an abundance of mud for slushing around in. The old-fashioned Christmas weather productive of roaring fireplaces, earmuffs and goloshes, does not seem ever to reach us here.

During vacation theatre parties were very popular, several different crowds going down every night. Sight-seeing trips to the city and vicinity were also indulged in.

Tuesday night, December 29th, many of the students were guests at an entertainment given by the members of the Baptist Mission at the Calvary Baptist Church in the city.

The program began at eight o'clock with a talk by Mr. Bryant, '89, who is leader of the Mission. He took for his subject "The Church's Mission to the Deaf." Miss Williams, '09, followed with a Christmas reading from the Bible. Hymns were signed by David, '09, Miss Froelich, '12, and Wallace Edington, K. S. Misses Lina-bury, '10, Lewis, '10, Fossau, '11, Newman, '11, and Hammond, '12, rendered a farcical dialogue, "Hazing." Mr. Bryant then invited the audience to be sociable pending the arrival of the pastor, Dr. Greene. The latter soon entered, and gave an interesting talk, Mr. Hall interpreting, on his and the Church's efforts in behalf of the deaf. At the close of Dr. Greene's talk, Mr. Bryant announced refreshments, which were excellent and abundant. Following the appeasement of appetites, a general good time was enjoyed until the break-up. We sincerely congratulate Mr. Bryant and the members of his mission for the success their efforts scored.

Dr. Fay spent the last few days of vacation in Atlantic City, and profited greatly by the rest he secured there.

Kendall Green certainly was a pandemonium New Year Eve. From eleven P.M. until after one all sorts of demons and evil spirits were abroad, climbing trees, racing over the roofs, bothering the Co-eds, and livening up things generally. Some of them penetrated the inmost workings of the tower clock and wrought such dire mischief therein that the usually dignified and precise old timepiece struck the hour of twelve just 999,000 times; and two-thirds of the neighborhood population broke all their best resolutions on the very instant they went into force. Bailey, '11, through heavenly inspiration, got an idea something was wrong, and chased out, and open-mouthed, stood looking up at the agonized face of the clock. Somebody seeing him thus, and mistaking him for a demon, poured from above, with excellent aim, a large pailful of water; and Bailey, thinking himself in a worse plight than the clock, carefully closed his mouth and sought his bed-chamber, from which no one could coax him again that night.

Those who received New Year calls on Kendall Green this year were President Gallaudet, assisted by his daughters, and the young ladies of the Senior, Sophomore, and Freshman Classes; Mrs. Hotchkiss, with Mrs. Allan B. Fay, Misses Fay and Kilgore, and the young ladies of the Introductory Class; and Mrs. Ely, aided by the young ladies of the Junior Class. Wednesday evening, December 30, MacGregor, '73, of Ohio, gave a reading, "The Helmet of Navarre," in the Chapel, under the auspices of the Gallaudet College Literary Society. The correspondent was unable to attend, but from what he has been able to gather, it was simply fine. Many of the Alumni came out from the city, disregarding a downpour of rain which would otherwise have dampened their spirits.

T. L. A., '12.

## CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF-MUTES.

### NEW YORK DISTRICT NOTICES.

St. Ann's Church, N. Y. Every Sunday at 3 P.M.

St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn. Every Sunday at 3 P.M.  
January 24th, Holy Communion

### JANUARY 10TH.

St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 10:30 A.M.  
St. Paul's Church, Newburgh, at 10:30 A.M.  
Gallaudet Home, at 3 P.M.

Some bats found in India measure six feet across their outspread wings.

## Holyoke, Mass.

It was a delightful Christmas party that was held in the Sears home in Dalton, Mass., on the night before Christmas Day. A large Christmas tree, a real Santa Claus, presents for every body, a beautiful supper, enjoyable games and chat were features of the evening. John J. Bedford, of Pittsfield played the role of Santa Claus, and did it right well. At the conclusion of the distribution of presents, Mrs. Sears was presented with a handsome gold bracelet, and Mr. Sears a lovely tie of the latest style and cut, in recognition of their zealousness in giving all so pleasant a time. Mr. John J. Bedford, who worked early and late to make the affair so pleasant, was given a sum of money. Many games were played and prizes given the lucky winners in each contest. An electric battery furnished much amusement. Those present were: Messrs. Garnier, Martineau, Blonin, Defayette and a hearing brother of Mr. Blonin, of North Adams, Mass.; Miss Bertha Barbeau, Greylock, Mass.; Miss Murphy, Hinsdale, Mass.; George W. Day, Great Barrington, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Philip Morin, Miss Rosa Kempinich, Williamansett, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Small, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Risley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sears, Misses Pauline and Ethel Sears, Mrs. Hulet, Dalton, Mass.; John J. Trainor, Clement E. Turgeon, Daniel Murray, Arthur Richter, John J. Bedford, Pittsfield, Mass.

All the Pittsfield deaf were present except Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shaw. They had a Christmas tree at home for little Master Willie Shaw. Mrs. Shaw not caring for "Irish Parties."

Amaclet Mercier was in Nashua, N. H., at Thanksgiving time, to attend the party given by Nashua Division No. 7, National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, of which he is a member. Mr. Mercier and his mother spent Christmas with relatives in Mauchkrag, Mass.

Miss Rosa Kempinich, of Syracuse, N. Y., has secured a good job in Chicopee Falls, Mass., and is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Phil Morin.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Blanchard, of West Hartford, formerly of this place, were renewing friendship at Christmas time around here.

Philip Beausoliel went to Bellows Falls, Vt., to spend the holidays with his parents.

Mr. Henry Gunther, of Merrick, Mass., went to his father's home in Meriden, Ct., for the holidays. His wife is still with her sister in Mundale, Mass., near Westfield.

Lawrence Crowley and Edgar Luther are chumming it, and have taken a room together on Spring Street, Hartford, a short distance from the depot. We can hear afar off the tinkle-tinkle of wedding bells for Mr. Crowley.

Miss Louise Ledoux, of Chicopee, went to Adams, Mass., at Thanksgiving, and remained for some time with friends there.

Phil Morin is a most enthusiastic "Frat" member. He expounded "Frat" at the Dalton party, and the following Sunday went to Hartford in the interest of the society.

Mr. Phil Beausoliel, Amaclet Mercier, Henry Gunther and Mr. and Mrs. Morin, were those from this locality who attended the talk by Rev. Father Maclean, of the Connecticut Apostolate Fathers in the Cathedral, at Hartford, on November 29th. Sister Rose Gertrude interpreted. At the conclusion Rev. Father Quinn took the deaf into the crypt and pointed out to them the tomb of the late beloved Bishop Tierney, of the Hartford Diocese.

Miss Markham, formerly of Holyoke, went to Canada recently, and was married there to Mr. Lepage, also a former Holyoker.

Mr. and Mrs. Emile Grise, late of Chicopee Falls, have also moved to Canada.

Mrs. Comstock, Matron at the Rome School for the Deaf, spent a few days in Hartford, Ct., during the holidays.

Clement Turgeon, of Pittsfield, recently moved from Circular Avenue to Westminster Street, near the Shaw home. The lady he lives with has a sister who is a teacher of the deaf in Pennsylvania. Mr. Turgeon was a guest over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Morin, of Williamansett.

Mrs. Frank Louche, of Salisbury Center, N. Y., is spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. C. S. Risley, in Dalton.

Miss Pauline, eleven years old, the bright and winsome daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sears, of Dalton, Mass., earned all her Christmas money making beaded daisy chains. They found a ready sale. Mr. and Mrs. Sears are justly proud of Pauline and their other seven-year-old daughter, Ethel.

Daniel Murray, of Pittsfield, who was laid off by the municipal department with the advent of snow, secured a job in the Taconic Woolen Mill.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Small, of Dalton, have both been under the doctor's care for gripe and tonsillitis recently.

Miss Minnie A. Eysaman, of Little Falls, N. Y., spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Small in Dalton, Mass.

The Hartford Benevolent Society has leased the old Horse Guards Hall for their annual dance, on the evening of February 19th, 1909.

Miss Kate Maloney, of Waterbury, Ct., has been a Christmas guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Colby, in Holyoke.

Richard Trainor, brother of John and James Trainor, of Pittsfield, is ill of Diphtheria in Northampton. He is a pupil of the Clarke School there.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Morin and Miss Rosa Kempinich partook of Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Risley, in Dalton, Mass. An eleven pound turkey with all the fixings was much enjoyed.

John J. Trainor, of Pittsfield, Mass., is a prospective "Frat," and there are others.

Miss Murphy, of Hinsdale, Mass., is employed in one of the Crane Mills in Dalton, Mass. Mr. S. B. Small, who has worked there twenty-eight years, got her the position.

Edward Guyott, of Holyoke, whose sister is forelady in White & Wyckoff's "Antocrat" Writing Paper Mill, has been giving his friends some of that Company's dandy calendars for 1909. Thanks, Teddy!

Mrs. Hugh McGowan will be the guest, for the remainder of the winter, of her daughter, Mrs. Philip Morin, in Williamansett.

Before this issue of the paper is out, a surprise party will have been tendered a popular Holyoker by his friends.

Lawrence Crowley, of Hartford, went to New Hampshire for the Christmas season with his folks.

A. L. M.

### State Emblems.

Each State in the American Union has its distinctive coat-of-arms or seal. Unlike the arms of most European countries, our American State emblems are not based upon some peculiar fact in history or story or tradition, but are, in nearly every case, deliberately chosen or made up. As animals figure upon most coats-of-arms it is interesting to observe what sort of animals have been chosen by the American commonwealths for their emblems.

Quite naturally the eagle leads all the rest. It is found upon the arms of no fewer than eleven States and one Territory. They are New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Alabama, Michigan, Illinois, Oregon, Mississippi, Missouri, Wyoming and New Mexico. New Mexico, indeed, has two eagles—one of which evidently represents the eagle of the United States and the other that of Mexico.

The deer—or some variety of the antelope—and the buffalo, are also favorite animals with the American commonwealths. Michigan, in addition to its eagle, has two antelopes, and Idaho an antelope's head and antlers.

Indiana was the first State to put the buffalo upon its arms. And he is appropriately represent as running away. He has since been represented in much the same guise upon the arms of Kansas and South Dakota.

New Jersey has a horse's head, and Pennsylvania two horses in addition to her eagle. Upon the arms of Kansas and South Dakota, horses are shown working at the plow, and on those of Minnesota and Dakota a horse is ridden by a retreating Indian.

Other emblems are the bears of Missouri and California, the pelican of Louisiana, Wisconsin's badger, Delaware's ox, Utah's bees. Several of the newest State have decorated their arms with an animal quite unknown to heraldry—the iron horse. The locomotive is borne upon the shield of Nevada, the steamboat upon the arms of Tennessee and South Dakota, and both the steamboat and locomotive upon those of Nebraska and Montana. Missouri has a crescent moon upon its arms, but it is not represented in connection with a landscape.

There is a tendency among the people of the States to set up, by a sort of gradual development among themselves, certain State emblems of their own which generally have no reference to the officially-adopted arms of the State. Some of these emblems were, in the beginning, assigned to them in derision by the people of other States, and have been adopted in good faith in a spirit of good-natured defiance of criticism. In the Civil War many of these emblems were worn by the soldiers from the several States and have been worn since by the Grand Army men and other national associations at their reunions. On such occasions the men of Maine wear a pine cone or branch, those of Vermont a cedar sprig, those of Rhode Island a clamshell, and those of Connecticut a wooden nutmeg. The chosen emblem of New Jersey on such occasions is a great mosquito; of Pennsylvania a buck's tail; of Ohio, a buckeye, or a horse-chestnut; of Michigan, a wolverine; of Wisconsin, a badger, and of California, a bear.—*Carolinian*.

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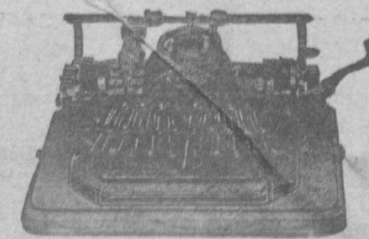
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